

response, the court will consider the amended complaint timely and therefore permitted as a matter of course”); Jackson v. Merscorp Inc., 2013 WL 12190523, *1 (M.D.N.C May 20, 2013) (same).

Plaintiff filed her First Amended Complaint on January 19, 2022, within the extended time frame for responding to Defendants’ Motion. See Text-Only Order entered December 20, 2021. Accordingly, the amendment is as a matter of course.

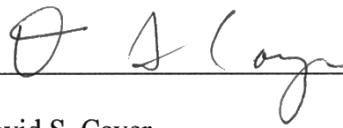
It is well settled that an amended pleading supersedes the original pleading and that motions directed at superseded pleadings are to be denied as moot. Young v. City of Mount Ranier, 238 F. 3d 567, 573 (4th Cir. 2001) (amended pleading renders original pleading of no effect); Turner v. Kight, 192 F. Supp. 2d 391, 397 (D. Md. 2002) (denying as moot motion to dismiss original complaint on grounds that amended complaint superseded original complaint).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Defendants’ “Motion to Dismiss” (document #5) is administratively **DENIED** as moot without prejudice.
2. The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to counsel for the parties and to the Honorable Graham C. Mullen.

SO ORDERED.

Signed: January 19, 2022



David S. Cayer
United States Magistrate Judge

